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DEMOCRATIC NOMINATIONS.

FOR SHERIFF,

WILLIAM H. LAMBSON.

FOR CORONER,

RICHARD GROVES.

The "Blue" and "Gray."

Under this caption the *Commercial*, on Monday, indulged in some gentle (?) and soothing (?) remarks admirably calculated to heal the breach, and pave the way for peace and good will, between the two sections of our divided country. It complains of the disposition manifested "in some quarters" to "let the dead past bury its dead," and styles it "cheap sentiment" and "bathos." It "notices with pain an effort looking towards a reunion of Federal and Confederate soldiers at the Centennial," and is very fearful lest this "cruel mockery" "may very possibly be brought about."

This is, perhaps, a perfectly natural feeling on the part of the editor of that paper. He, doubtless, (?) has good reasons for the views he entertains on this subject. Should such a reunion take place Col. J. might possibly meet with some southern soldier whose face grew familiar from constant contact on the field of gore. He might meet there the identical sharp-shooter whose bullet wounded him so severely through the chest that his life was dispaired of; or that rifleman whose shot in the leg has rendered him a cripple for life; or it might be that the "rebel" cavalryman whose flashing sword threatened to cut short the brilliant career of "ye senior" would be there to remind him of his hairbreadth escape. It might be, too, that the ragged soldier who guarded the Colonel's every move during his long imprisonment in the "rebel pen" would be there to remind him of those terrible days.—All these things would be very hard to bear. The *Commercial* wishes to "heal the wounds made by the war, and to see the South prosperous and happy:" that is, so far as she can be so under carpet-bag rule and negro domination, but it has decided objections to seeing the "wearers of the gray" taken into the "National arms" or allowing them to take any part in the great Philadelphia tintinnabulum. The recollections of his terrible sufferings during the four long, long years, has goaded the gentle Colonel into a momentary forgetfulness of his dislike to all attempts "to keep alive the latent embers of sectional strife," and induced him to talk once more about "rebels" and "treason" and all that. He is perfectly satisfied to allow the South to send tokens of her wealth, and perhaps help bear the expense, and "proficiency in arts which make this land a desirable home for the race" (what race does he refer to?) to the Centennial, but he don't want to see any gray coats there or any where else; and it lacerates his tender, Union-loving heart to see flowers scattered upon graves of dead rebels. He thinks that the sentiment which can encourage such things is "false and pernicious" and has a tendency to "degrade the Union troops, to discount their patriotism and to strip them of their deserved and hardly won honors."

It does not seem to have occurred to our amiable cotemporary that he might possibly be doing the very thing he so much deplores. It appears to us that he has but a slight opinion of the magnanimity and soldiership of the troops who could be degraded by forgiving their "erring brethren" and associating with men with whom they contended in honorable warfare on the battle fields of Bull Run, Pea Ridge, Shiloh, Seven Oaks, Antietam, Chancellorsville, and Gettysburg. He must have a low estimate of the patriotism that could be so easily "discounted," and of the "deserved and hardly won honors" which could be so easily stripped off.

The President of the United States is a most extraordinary man and, in consequence, does some extraordinary things. Having conceived some objections to certain portions of a bill, known as the District Bill, *pending before* Congress, he sent a message to that body stating those objections and recommending certain amendments. This extraordinary proceeding of the Executive in endeavoring to instruct the members of the Legislative department as to *their* business, out of the line of *his* business, was rather distasteful to those (honorable) gentlemen, and though they meekly kept their tempers they, nevertheless, passed the bill as it was and sent it to the President, for his signature, who at once complied. The reason, or excuse, given by the President's courtiers for his unusual action is that he "misunderstood the bill, and did not know what he was talking about." Truly our Chief Magistrate is a most wonderful man and profound statesman, well worthy to occupy the seat of Washington, Jefferson, Jackson, Fillmore and Pierce. He *ought* to have a third term. Perhaps he *might* learn in twelve years to "know what he was talking about."

FRANCE.—Matters are beginning to assume a equally phase in France. The meetings of the Assembly are not much better than mob riots: members of different political creeds hurl harsh and insulting epithets at each other, and loud yelling, hooting and such other dignified (?) conduct characterize the proceedings. True to their nature the Republican party indulge in the most reckless and uncalled for abuse of all who refuse to adopt their sentiments, and accusations of "disloyalty and treason" flow from their lips as rapidly as they did from those of their name-sakes in this country during the war against the South.

The progress of events indicates that the day is not far distant when the burlesque Republic will be abolished and a strong Imperial or royal government be established. Not until that is done may the world expect France to have peace at home or to command respect abroad. A French Republic, though often tried, has always failed, and with so volatile a people as the French such a government is simply an impossibility.

THE NEGRO EQUALITY BILL.—Another motion was made in the House of Representatives, at Washington, to take up the Civil Rights Bill on Saturday last. As on previous occasions, the motion failed for want of the necessary two-thirds vote in its favor. Among the Republicans who voted in the negative we do not find the name of James R. Lofland. This is certainly singular conduct on the part of a man who is so much opposed to that measure as Mr. Lofland's adherents would have us believe he is.

ADJOURNMENT OF CONGRESS.—Both Houses of Congress adjourned *sine die* last Tuesday. Among the last acts of the Senate were the passage of the post office route bill, the bill removing the political disabilities of John Forsyth, of Alabama, the bill to provide for the coining of 20 cent silver pieces, and a resolution recommending the settling of difficulties between nations by arbitration instead of arms. The Tariff bill was continued till next session, and the bill to admit Colorado was tabled.

In the House the reports of the conference committees on the several appropriation bills, including the post office appropriation bill were concurred in. By this bill the prepayment of postage on newspapers is required; to take effect January 1st, 1875; the rate being fixed at two cents per pound on dailies and weeklies, and three cents per pound on papers and magazines published less frequently than weekly: all papers to circulate free of postage in counties where published. Exchanges between publishers free.

The Utah bill was passed, and some others of more or less importance. Thus ended the first session of the Forty-Third Congress.

RESIGNATION OF P. M. G. CRESWELL.—The public were considerably surprised on Thursday by the announcement that Post Master General Creswell had tendered his resignation of that position to the President. Mr. Creswell has held the office which he now resigns for a little more than five years and was the only one of President Grant's original cabinet who still remained. Whatever opinions may be entertained of Mr. Creswell's political course, there can be no question but that he has been an able and efficient manager of the Postal affairs of the United States. Many reforms and improvements in the postal service are mainly due to his efforts; among which the abolition of the franking privilege, (though *we* doubt the propriety of that measure) the introduction of postal cards and the extension of the postal car service, take a high rank. It is rumored that the vacant office has been offered to Hon. Eugene Hale, of Maine.

THE PRESIDENT AND SHEPHERD.—Notwithstanding the gross maladministration of the government of the District of Columbia by "Governor" Shepherd and the serious charges against him, Pres. Grant coolly recommended him to the Senate for one of the Commissioners to manage the affairs of the District after the abolition of the "Territorial" Government, but to the lasting credit of the Senate it promptly and very justly rejected his name. Truly the President's notions of Civil Service Reform are very singular.

COOL, ANYHOW.—The Smyrna *Times* says but little interest was manifested in the Democratic Nomination election last Saturday, "as it is generally conceded that the candidates stand no chance for an election." Well, that *is cool*. We would like to know by whom it is conceded.—Not by the Democrats, for they generally expect to give the Yankee party just such a thrashing as we gave them in 1870, and as the "other fellows" have been "conceding" Democratic defeats in this State for the last 14 years *their* concessions don't amount to much.

They don't do things by halves among the laboring classes in England. They undertook to get up a demonstration of sympathy for the "locked out" agricultural laborers at Manchester last Saturday. *Only* 25,000 members of trades unions, with 50 bands of music, participated in the procession. At a mass meeting held afterwards it is estimated that there were 50,000 people present.

UNPROVOKED MURDER.—A most wilful and unprovoked murder was committed Baltimore last Monday night. A number of men in were drinking together at a house known as the Sherwood House when a difficulty ensued. In the melee a young man named Saml. McDonald walked up to another named Berry Amos and deliberately plunged a large knife twice into his breast, without, it seems, the slightest provocation. McDonald does not seem to have taken any part in the quarrel, and evidently used the knife on account of an old grudge. Berry died in less than half an hour after he was cut. McDonald was arrested and after an investigation of the case by the coroner, he was locked up to await the action of the Grand Jury.

McDonald is not much over 26 years old, and described as a very handsome youth. His father, the late Wm. McDonald of Baltimore, once the owner of the celebrated trotter, Flora Temple, being a very wealthy man, Young McDonald received a liberal education, having attended all the best schools of his native city, and also schools in England and Germany. At his father's death he inherited $500,000 worth of property, and had every advantage offered him to have made himself a useful citizen and a respectable man; but he chose his associates from the frequenters of low drinking saloons and cock fights, and city roughs. When arrested he assumed the most careless demeanor doubtless depending upon his money to secure his acquittal. He has thus far received no different treatment from that of the commonest criminal, and if proven guilty of the crime of which he is charged he will doubtless suffer the punishment due.

CALIFORNIA'S BENEFACTOR.—James Lick, the California millionaire who recently deeded away $2,000,000 of money to various charities and monuments in California, all of which amount is to be paid in gold coin, was in early life an industrious farmer in Pennsylvania. He subsequently went to Brazil and Buenos Ayres, where he raised cattle and horses on an extensive scale, supplying the cavalry and army commissairat of both countries with his stock. He next turned attention to commercial pursuits in Chili and Peru, and while there the California gold fever broke out. He intrusted his business in Valparaiso to a friend and sailed for San Francisco, where he invested $20,000 in town lots now worth several millions, and subsequently, when the idea of farming in California was looked upon as ridiculous by many, he established a large flouring mill, costing half a million dollars, and planted a pear orchard in Santa Clara county. These operations and numerous others proved very remunerative. He also erected the fine hotel in San Francisco which bears his name. Mr. Lick has been for many months in poor health, but has devoted all his attention to the arrangement of plans for the disposal of his wealth in a manner to secure the greatest amount of good.

OREGON'S NEW CONGRESSMAN.—Oregon has apparently elected a remarkable man to Congress. The name of the patriot is George A. La Dow, and he receives the following honorable mention in the columns of the Salem *Statesman*:

"The election of La Dow will be a surprise to that gentleman, and may throw him into another fit of wretched illness. It is stated as a fact that he failed to canvass for the double reason that he was afraid of the ordeal of the stump, and that he couldn't see how he was to stand the expense. 'Why,' said he to a friend, 'I went to Pendleton and made a speech thar, and it cost $10! Ef I shud go down thar to Willamette and go to speechifyin', it ud probably cost me $150!' La Dow will never see how he is to pay the expenses of going to Washington, and doubtless wishes the Democracy hadn't went and gone and done it."

A freight train was thrown from the track of the Pennsylvania Railroad, near Wilmore, Pa., on Friday night, by running over a cow. The engine and fifteen cars tumbled down a steep embankment, and the engineer and fireman were killed.

THE WHEAT CROP.—Bad reports have come to us this week from the wheat crop. Instead of the large yield that was expected we are informed that in many places the wheat has been so badly injured by the scab and rust that the crop will be rather a short one.

TERRIBLE DISASTER.—A fearful disaster occurred at Syracuse, N. Y., last Tuesday evening. A festival was being held in the Central Baptist Church, when suddenly about 9 o'clock, the entire floor of the building on which were gathered over 300 persons, and beneath which, in the lecture room below, were many more, gave way and fell with a tremendous crash, burying all in one heap of ruins. The shrieks of the wounded and dying; the crash of falling timbers, and the roar of the debris tumbling in upon the great mass of human beings, is described as fearful and heartrending. The terrible cry was heard many blocks distant. The whole city was thrown into a state of the wildest excitement, and an immense crowd quickly collected at the scene of the catastrophe. The work of tearing away the debris and freeing the living and searching out the dead was at once begun, and by midnight 13 dead bodies, together with 100 injured persons were taken from the ruins.

The following facts as to the cause of the accident were elicited at the coroner's inquest: The floor which fell was suspended by iron rods from a wooden truss under the roof. These rods went through the lower but not through the upper chord of the truss. The lower chord had been spliced wrong side up, and that point was the first to give way. The floor, having no props beneath it, sunk in the form of a letter V. The most of the deaths were caused by the falling timbers of the truss. Some, however, were smothered by the plastering. The floors of the church were supported originally by iron pillars. A short time ago the Church Building Committee, with the consent, it is reported, of the architect, removed the iron pillars. The result was the calamity of Tuesday night. The truss was very imperfectly constructed.

The architect of the building was H. N. White, who is now in Europe.

THE NEW ROBINSON CRUSOE.—While Jules Verne's books are being made "a bone of contention" by the publishing houses, the publication of his serial story, "The Mysterious Island," in *Scribner's Monthly*, is progressing satisfactorily. The adventures of four castaways, in search of their lost companion, the engineer, how they found him, his strange story, and the incident of the extinguishment of the fire, are all related in the author's interesting and vivid style. M. Verne has the science of the nineteenth century too nearly at his fingers' ends to make the interest of the story rest permanently on a fire which was kindled by any such artificial means as a lucifer match. No doubt he will find another method of relighting it, if necessay. Meanwhile hosts of delighted readers follow the narrative with all the interest and with even greater instruction than that which characterized their reading, in earlier days, of Robinson Crusoe.

Items of General News.

The Democratic Convention of Maine met at Portland Tuesday, 422 delegates being present, and nominated Hon. Joseph A. Titcomb for Governor. Resolutions were adopted declaring the only safe currency to be one based on specie redemption; favoring free trade and unrestricted commerce; condemning the recent attempt of the Republican majority of the Senate to establish a censorship of the press in Washington; and favoring civil service reform.

A singular case is that of Thomas Pearce of Eola, Ore. Two years ago he ran for justice, and was tied with his opponent. The law directs the casting of lots to decide, and Pearce won with dice. The contestants gambled for it according to law, and they are likely to resort to the same expedient again, as Pearce and another opponent are tied again on the vote there for justice of the peace.

The Boston *Post* is authority for the statement that a boy in Athol, Mass., is gradually eating himself up. He has been at it with such fatal persistency during the four years of his life as to reduce all the fingers of both hands to raw and bleeding stumps, while of the thumb of the left hand nothing whatever remains.

The printing material of the New Orleans *Bulletin* was seized on Saturday night by Superintendent of Police A. S. Badger. The seizure is said to be the result of the *Bulletin's* ceaseless and outspoken attacks on the Kellogg-Casey-Darell usurpation.

The available strength of the Spanish republican army is 120,000 infantry and 10,000 cavalry, besides 43,000 reserves. There is much sickness in Concha's army, which numbers 38,000 men. The Carlists are concentrating near Estella.

The text of the Pope's address to the Cardinals on Tuesday is published. The Pope renews his protest against the acts of the Italian Government and refuses to make peace with "the enemies of the Church."

Peaches are for sale in New York at from $5 to $6 per crate.

Current Literature.

A collection of thirteen excellent pictures, all fine works of art, embellish the July *Aldine*, which is the finest publication in the world for the drawing-room. The pictures in the *Aldine* are beautiful, interesting, and exquisite as gems of art. Mr. Thomas Moran opens the July number with an appropriate and full-page tinted picture—"A Storm in the Mountains," which is full of midsummer splendor and action of a July thunder-storm. David Neal contributes a full-page picture of "Watt and the kettle," it being a copy of his famous painting now on exhibition at the Royal Academy, London. Young Watt is shown solving the problem of steam-power. Three charming pictures of Pennsylvania scenery are contributed by John Hows, a full-page showing the great "Horse-Shoe Bend at Kittanning Point," where the Pennsylvania Railway crosses the Alleghany Mountains. Another picture is "Kettle Run, Altoona," a wild, gloomy brook in a deep woods. The last of this interesting series is the "Old Aqueduct on the Conemaugh River," in Pennsylvania, which shows the ruins of a great stone bridge. "An Indian Scout" is a strong picture, showing the red man with all his war trappings and ugly features. "A Connoisseur" shows the interior of an artist's studio, and reveals a whole volume of romance at the first glance. "Our Pet" shows as handsome a female face, with as perfect a profile as has ever been seen in print. J. O. Davidson has a full-page picture, "After the Battle," which is a grand and graphic view of a fight at sea, where the war-ships have taken fire, and the sailors are leaping overboard. Three views of Westminster Abbey are given, an exterior view of the building, "Entrance to the South Aisle," and the "South Transept." This magnificent series of illustrations closes with a fine portrait of "David Nael," the American artist in Munich. The literary contents of the *Aldine* for July are of a high order, embracing a musical poem, "Raking Hay," by Thos. E. Garrett; the story of "A Stampede in 1524," a quaint love story, by Lucy Ellen Guernsey; a sketch of James Watt; a full description of the "Pennsylvania Pictures," and many other choice articles.

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THE FOLIO.—The July number of this excellent musical monthly has reached us. As usual it is full of choice music, musical selections, and items of interest to those who delight in the "art divine." A full page portrait of F. C. Chanfrau adorns the number. The music comprises "Climbing the Golden Stair," "Gone Astray," "The Time of Prayer," vocal, and "The White Rose," and "Sounds from the Palisades," instrumental.

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The Senate, Its Origin.

The illustration of the *Commercial* to show that Senatorial representation is not based upon the Feudal idea of territory is singularly infelicitous. The *Commercial* avers that representation is based upon States not Territory. Most sapient *Commercial*, has it occured to you, that in topographical, and political nomenclature, State and territory are synonomous? Hence the point made by the "Commercial," that the territorial idea is not the dominant one, in Senatorial representation, is not correct. The vast difference of Texas and Delaware, exactly sustain our views—each alike are sovereign States, one Imperial in extent, the other a pigamy, but are for the purposes of Representation in the Senate territorially equal. Our neighbor need hardly recommend us to read the debates of the constitutional convention, we are quite familiar with them and strange enough we find in them abundant matter to sustain, and support our views upon the matter in dispute.

The analogy between the House of Lords in England, and our Senate as to powers, are very striking, the House of Lords have judicial power upon appeal—but lacks the right to reject the appointees of the Queen. Our Senate has the power of rejecting the appointees of the executive. This is the main difference in their power and functions. A portion of the House of Lords are elected, to wit: The Irish Peers, they are elected by the "Lords, Spiritual and Temporal of Ireland." The Bishops and Lord High Chancellors are Peers by official right, so that it is a mistake to speak of the House of Lords, as entirely an hereditary body of Legislators.

After referring to the undisputed fact, that the small states insisted upon equal representation in the Senate the "Commercial" adds:

"In forming our Delaware constitution, there was no other object in view, and the Senate was formed like the House,—except that its members were elected for four years instead of two, and that they did not all go out of office at once. Increased steadiness, stability, and conservative force were desired, and these were means taken to secure these qualities. But the Senators came from the people, as the Representatives did, and they had not, and never have had, anything "feudal or territorial" about them, any more than the members of the lower House."

A good reason existed at the time our Senatorial representation was fixed at three from each county.

In 1790 the population of Delaware was 59,094—or 20,000 in each county, hence the equality of representation. The mode of election by the people, as contradistinguished from the manner of choosing Senators to Congress does not destroy the analogy of the State and Federal Senates. It was a question fiercely debated, in the constitutional convention, whether United States Senators should—or should not be elected by the people. The rule *ex-necessitate* settled the question in the States, as there was no body within them to delegate the power of election, hence it was of necessity reserved by the people. The Senate of the United States, as the Senates of the different States, are feudal in origin. The political idea of an "Upper House" was carried over by the first colonists, and when their children formed the Constitution, for the Confederation and the States, they created nothing new, they simply codified into organic law the customs and political maxims of their free ancestors. We are in favor, and will stick to it, of full and just representation for New Castle county in the House;—but will oppose any alteration in the time honored, and wise constitution of the Senate, unless it be to equally increase the representation of each county.—*Wilm. Advertiser.*

For the Transcript.

Lady Bug vs. Peach Louse.

EDITOR OF MIDDLETOWN TRANSCRIPT.

Dear Sir:—Samuel Townsend has lately affirmed, in the columns of a newspaper, that the lady bug is the parent of the aphis or plant louse, so hurtful sometimes to the young shoots of the peach. As this assertion of his has been extensively copied, and is calculated to strengthen, or render more general, a notion already too common, and thus promote the destruction of a most useful insect or bug, and one especially useful in a peach growing region, it would be well if the correction could be made as public as the error. Plant lice are not lady bugs. The lady bug does not produce them, but on the contrary *eats* them. It is found with plant lice for that purpose. As a nurseryman, I have, myself, been repeatedly a witness to this fact, although I have been troubled but little by the attacts of lice on nursery stock, when in this section, they have in the past been most commonly seen, or, at least the occasion of the most serious damage.

Any entomologist or comprehensive treatise on entomology will corroborate what I have said above respecting the lady bug. Indeed, information on this point may be obtained from so common a source as Webster's Unabridged. (See 2d definition of the synonyms lady bird, lady bug, etc. Therefore, let this little friend of the nurseryman, whose acquaintance we all made in our childhood, be carefully preserved, and with it a long, flexible insect, of a blueish color, marked with light red, as this last is also seviceable in destroying the pest, though in the performance of this good office, not, I think, equal to the lady bug, which is so useful in this respect, that children have been paid, if I have been correctly informed, by nurserymen and others for collecting them.

Aside from these natural destroyers of the aphides, a strong decoction of tobacco or whale oil soap suds is the usual remedy; but in the growing of nursery stock, in this section, I have found that the selection of a good fertile soil that will insure an early, rapid growth, and *thoroughly clean culture* very effective as preventives.

C. B. JERMAN.

CAMDEN, DEL., JUNE 24, 1874.

[By Request.]

BENEFITS OF ODD FELLOWSHIP EXEMPLIFIED.—Several years ago, Joseph H. Thompson, now a resident of Camden, N. J., was a citizen of Wilmington and was a member of Asylum Lodge of Odd Fellows. When he removed to his present home he still retained his membership in the Lodge, and has continued to be a member in good standing by the regular payment of his dues and the performance of all the requirements of the constitution and by-laws of the order.

Last October, while walking along the streets of Camden, Mr. Thompson was precipitated one dark night into an opening which had been left carelessly unprotected by the Gas Co., of that city and sustained injuries which in their nature will disqualify him from performing his accustomed duties for life. Mr. Thompson at once began suit against the corporation, laying his damages at $5,000. At the last May term of the Court, by a process of legal shuffling, a postponement of the case was obtained by the defendant's counsel, and Mr. T., who in the meanwhile had been receiving his benefits from the Lodge in this city, reported himself "off."

This attracted the attention of Asylum Lodge more closely to the case, and Mr. James H. Appleby, being in Camden some weeks ago, determined that with the aid of the lodge, the matter should be prosecuted to its utmost. The lodge readily joined him, and a communication was prepared and stamped with the seal of the Lodge, setting forth that no expense should be spared in the prosecution of the case and that the best legal talent of the country should be retained to push Mr. T's claim. This paper was duly laid before the Gas Corporation and their counsel, and seeing the determination on the part the order of Odd Fellows to obtain full and exact justice they compromised the case by the payment to Mr. T. of $3,000, and $100 additional for lawyers' fees, he having been to this expense in his single-handed prosecution of the case.—*Commercial.*

TERRIBLE MARINE DISASTER.—The Turkish vessel Karr, en route for Salanica, was run into, last Saturday, in the sea of Marmora by an Egyptian vessel named Behera, and sunk in a few minutes. The Karr had 340 persons on board, including passengers and crew, and of this number 320 were drowned.

A tornado passed northeast of Memphis on Saturday night, damaging the crops, fences and forests.

A number of French detectives are in England watching the movements of Henri Rochefort.

New Chicago.

The corner stone of the new Government building in Chicago was laid, with Masonic ceremony, on Wednesday, in presence of an immense assemblage of people from all parts of Illinois.—Business was generally suspended and the public offices were closed. The following dedicatory ode, written for the occasion by Dr. Robert Morris, LL. D., was sung by the choir:—

When the avenging wrath
Of offended Heaven
Laid in smouldering smoke and flame,
The wealth that he had given,
Though that day in black dimay,
Saw our city melt away,
Yet we hoped 'twas not in vain,
God would smile on us again.

Cho.—Then deeply lay the stone,
Plant it firm and true,
So may distant ages own
The work this day we do.

In its deep recess
Laid with mystic care,
Hark! our faithful witnesses
The Level, Plumb and Square.
"Nations sink beneath the curse
As they deviate from us!
In unerring truth may yours
Last while circling time endures."

Cho.—Then firmly lay the stone, etc.

Hear our prayer, oh God,
Thou, the people's trust,
And may these walls majestic rise
When we are in the dust!
Humbly, we are but one,
Hopeful, are we not thine own?
Midst this mighty gathering
Now we rise and gladly sing.

Cho.—And grandly lay the stone, etc.

OBITUARY.—The venerable William M. Hardcastle, Esq., father of Dr. Alex. Hardcastle, died at his residence, Castle Hall, in Caroline county, on Sunday, 21st inst., in the 97th year of his age. Until within the last year Mr. Hardcastle, notwithstanding his great age, continued in the use of all his faculties and was as hearty and active as many much younger men.

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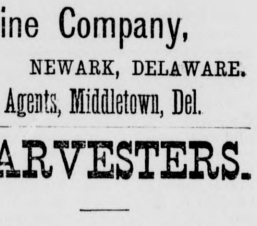

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SATURDAY MORNING, JUNE 27, 1874.

Local and State Affairs.

The Nomination Election.

The Democratic Nomination Election on Saturday last passed off quietly, and harmoniously. The nomination of Messrs. Lambson and Groves being regarded as a foregone conclusion, but little activity was considered necessary, even by their warmest friends, consequently but little interest was shown and few votes polled. The following are the official returns from all the hundreds:—

SHERIFF.

Hundreds.	Lambson.	Whiteman.
Wilmington,	954	30
Brandywine—East,	22	1
" —West,	53	—
Mill Creek,	33	12
New Castle,	300	3
Appoquinimink—South,	36	29
" —North,	88	1
Red Lion—East,	41	6
" —West,	51	25
White Clay Creek—West,	47	43
" —East,	24	112
St. Georges—East,	46	1
" —West,	90	7
Pencader,	47	5
Christiana—South,	50	1
" —North,	102	1
Totals,	1934	294

CORONER.

Hundreds.	Pierce.	Groves.	Cox
Wilmington,	166	338	476
Brandywine—East,	17	7	—
" —West,	26	23	1
Mill Creek,	2	43	—
New Castle,	13	263	33
Appoquinimink—South,	65	—	—
" —North,	—	88	—
Red Lion—East,	1	46	—
" —West.	2	85	—
White Clay Creek—West,	2	85	4
" —East,	16	92	23
St. Georges—East,	2	49	1
" —West,	1	93	3
Pencader,	1	50	1
Christiana—South,	3	62	4
" —North,	90	13	—
Totals,	143	1381	546

The State House Bell.

Mr. Thomas Holcomb, in *Every Evening*, suggests that the old state house bell, with the date of 1763 upon it, be presented to the Delaware Historical Society, and that the Society should look up its history. He says: "May it not have sounded the alarm at the incursion of the British from the Bay during the Revolutionary war, or pealed out in triumph after Saratoga and Yorktown." As an item of history in regard to this old bell, we have heard it stated that it was originally purchased for the use of one of the Dover churches, and that it was hung in the court house cupola for want of a better place to put it, and there it remained until the cupola was removed to make way for the present improvement. So it is not known whether the bell belongs to church or state, though through the changes of a hundred years it has pealed forth its call for both law and gospel listeners. We think the good old bell should have a niche in Dover.—*Delawarean.*

Singular.

On the morning of his drowning, officer Wirt's wife tried to persuade him from going a fishing, when he took from his finger his gold ring, and placing it upon her's, told her to wear it until his return and that he would not be gone long. When he was leaving his residence, his dog, a fine animal, caught him by the pant leg, (an act he was never known to do before,) when he drove him off; and as he started off the dog seized him by the leg again, and could not be driven off, seemingly trying to prevent his master from leaving home, when Mr. Wirt to get clear of him, took his revolver from his pocket and shot him.—*Chronicle.*

List of Letters

remaining in the post office at Middletown, Del., unclaimed for the week ending June 20th, 1874.

Thos. J. Bayard, Lod Cain, Frank Cale, Mrs. Colins, Wm. Divine, Pearson Doub, Samuel Davis, Owen Ford, George Harden, Mollie Harkless, Mrs. Sarah J. Jones, Chas. W. Cane, Miss Martha McDowell, Mrs. Robert M. Moore, Mrs. Richard Pearce, M. H. Pennington, Winfield S. Stockly, Miss Emma Stephens, George Toughson, Owen Trayer, William Y. Wolf. (2).

Persons calling for the above will please say that they are advertised. D. L. Dunning, P. M.

The New State House.

The remodeling of the State House at Dover is progressing rapidly and satisfactorily. A meeting of the Legislature re-building committee was held at the Clayton House, Wilmington last week, and awarded the contract for the furniture for the State House to Smith & Champin, of Philadelphia, for $1897.50, that being the lowest bid. The committee also made a contract with Granville Worrell, of Wilmington, for carpets and matting for the different rooms.

Heavy Fleece.

John Vandever, of Mill Creek Hundred, sheared twelve Cotswold sheep, a few days ago, whose fleece weighed 128 pounds. One or two of them weighed as high as 14 pounds, and the clip from a yearling weighed 13 pounds. These sheep will weigh when dressed for market from 150 to 160 pounds. Mr. Vandever is an excellent farmer, and makes it a point to keep good stock and to raise good crops.—*Gazette.*

Harvest.

Hay, wheat and oats harvest threaten to come pretty much all together this year. The hay crop, and that one of the heaviest ever gathered, is scarcely in before "the wheat is ripe and ready to fall," and the farmer must turn his attention to it. Some have already commenced, and next week will find them all at it. The hot weather of this week did the business.

Voting for a Man he Knew.

A gentleman of this place erased the middle letter from James L. Cox's name at the nomination election, last Saturday, and inserttd an M., because, he said, he "didn't know any Jas. L. Cox, but he knew a Jas. *M.* Cox," and voted accordingly. Our distinguished citizen, the governor, however, was not a candidate.

Minor Topics.

Mr. C. C. Foster suffered a slight paralysis of the tongue, on Tuesday, so that he could not speak.

The Western beetle has arrived in countless myriads and is playing havock with the potato vine. Good bye potatoes.

The Seaford *Citizen* says an extensive strawberry shipper cleared just $1.00 above his expenses this year. Profitable surely.

The Delmarvia and Sellers' Fruit Drying establishments will propably commence opperations, on small fruits, within a week or two.

David J. Cummins, near Smyrna has a strawberry patch of fifty acres and employed during the height of the late berry season 300 hands.

A safe in the office at the R. R. depot at Havre-de-Grace, Md., was broken into, one night last week, and robbed of between $200 and $300.

One of our merchants "ragged out" buffalo robes last Tuesday. Reckon he thought robes were like whiskey: "good to keep out heat as well as cold."

At the strawberry festival at Glasgow, last week, a cake was voted to the prettiest girl in Pencader Hundred. Miss Lillie Cann had more admirers than anybody else and got the cake.

There has been shipped from this Peninsula the present season 186,760 crates, 7,370,400 quarts of strawberries. The present season's crop exceeds that of last year by near 5,000,000 quarts.

Seaford has an old lady 99 years of age who can see to knit or sew without spectacles. She can dance a jig and knows all her neighbors' secrets of the night before. She's a *rara avis*.—[Keep her for the Centennial.]

The premium for the prettiest baby in Caroline, Dorchester and Sussex, at the Federalsburg fair, last week, was won by a pair of twin babies belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Jno. M. Collinson. Mr. C. is said to be 60 years old,

The *Times* says there will be no Blackbird camp this year. Two parties wanted the grove and the owner thought he saw a chance to make and advanced the price from $75 to $00 and neither party would take it. The old story:—"The goose that laid the golden egg, etc."

Odessa Items.

[From our Odessa Correspondent.]

Raspberries are being picked this week.

The Mailly yacht has made a voyage to Lewes.

The potato bugs have begun their ravages in our gardens.

Bathing is a favorite evening pastime with the boys of our town.

The farmers are cutting their hay. A large crop is the "talk."

A base ball club was organized on last Wednesday eve called "Beasten nine."

Another old building, (one of the granaries on the Appoquinimink creek) is being rapidly torn down.

Duggan is building a stage to run between Rchoboth and Lewis during the camp meeting season.

Next Sabbath will be Children's Day, as the regular session was postponed from the 14th inst. on account of other extra matters. A rich floral display may be expected.

The M. E. church has been thoroughly cleansed and looks neat and inviting. However some persons who forget that "cleanliness becometh the house of the Lord" sit and spit tobacco juice on the floor.

Last Sunday was an eventful day in Odessa. In the morning Dr. Morris addressed us on the "bearings of the Bible on the Holy Land and the Holy Land on the Bible," (in the Drawyers church) and in the afternoon the delivered a lecture to the children of the Sunday schools on the sights, etc., of the Holy Land. The house was crowded both sessions, and all present were highly delighted with the instructive manner in which the Doctor spoke. In the evening Dr. Crowell continued the services in the M. E. church on the subject "We would see Jesus," which was a marked sermon long to be remembered.

Beginning Early.

We intend, if possible, to clear out our stock
Of Summer Clothing before the season closes,
We have, therefore reduced our prices NOW,
So that everyone can get a bargain.
We offer as special inducements,
Men's Cassimere Suits, $7 50.
Men's Linen Suits, $4.50.
Youth's Cassimere Suits, $6.90.
Boys' Cassimere Suits, $5 00.
Children's Woolen Suits, $3.00.
Linen Coats, Cass Vests, $1.00.

And finer grades of goods reduced in price, on same low scale. BENNETT & CO., Tower Hall, 518 Market Street, halfway between Fifth and Six Streets, Philadelphia.

The Middletown Band.

The Diamond State Band, of this town, has made an engagement to participate in the 4th of July celebration at Dover next week. Their handsome new uniforms will be completed by that time. They will also furnish the string music for the hop in the evening. The well deserved reputation of this band is rapidly extending all over the Peninsula, and their excellent music is meeting with the appreciation it merits. On Thursday evening they went to Camebridge, Md., to play at a hop given in that town.

We understand the members contemplate holding a Raspberry Festival for the benefit of the band about the 6th of July, in the Academy Grove.

Middletown Workmen.

Our townsman, Mr. John B. Roberts, is engaged in putting up a large heater for Mr. C. Gallagher, of Wilmington. He recently roofed a large building for the same gentleman. Mr. G. being a gentleman of appreciation and knowing the economy of good work came to Middletown for a man who understands his business. His example is commended to his townsmen. If they want to get their work done cheap and good let them come to Middletown.

Lamp Explosion.

The large lamp that hung in the reading room of the Middletown Hotel exploded on Tuesday night just as the house was being closed. The oil was scattered in all directions, and taking fire, the whole room was soon in a blaze. Owing to the presence of mind of two gentlemen the fire was smothered out before much damage was done, further than scorching the counter.

Fire.

The tenement house, on the farm of Col. Joshua Clayton, one mile north of Armstrong's, was consumed by fire, on Friday of last week. The family occupying the house lost all their furniture, clothing, etc., which as they are poor, makes the loss very severs. The house was 16 by 18, with kitchen attached.

Another Daily.

The *Comuercial* states "with authority" that Wilmington is soon to have another daily. Friend Vernon, of the *Republican*, thinks he has stayed behind about long enough now, and, having about completed his arrangements intends to begin issuing a daily very soon. Now, if the *Advertiser*, *Pioneer*, *Chronicle* and *Wayside* will go and do likewise, Wilmington will be pretty well supplied with evening dailies, and have almost enough, and when Messrs. Dean, Brown, Reynolds & Co. get their great morning daily started, wont Wilmington be a great place!

The Weather.

"The heated term" set in in dead earnest this week. With the exception of a few warm days two weeks ago, we have not been troubled with heat, but the weather, on the contrary, has been remarkably cool and pleasant for the season, but during the past week we have been "catching it" right. Monday was hot, the mercury ranging from 70 in the morning to 85 in the middle of the afternoon; on Tuesday it ran from 74 to 92; on Wednesday, from 82 to 88; on Thursday it was not quite so warm, the mercury ranging not higher than 80.

The Noisy Fourth.

The *Commercial* don't want cannons, crackers and other explosives fired in the streets of "the city" on the fourth of July, and wants the council to pass an ordinance to prevent it. It is about right. It is scarcely worth while to risk the lives, limbs and property of the many to permit a few men and a good many boys to amuse themselves by keeping up a constant banging all day to the great annoyance of all who don't participate in it. Wish it could be stopped in Middletown.

Sale of Horses.

Wm. R. Cochran, Esq., sold, last Thursday, his handsome span of bay carriage horses, Tom and Twig, to a gentleman from Pennsylvania, for $1000 cash. This is looked upon by *some* of the stock holders as one of the practical results of the Agricultural Association.

I. O. O. F. Election.

At the regular semi-annual election the following officers were elected for the ensuing term of Good Samaritan Lodge, No. 9, I. O. O. F., Middletown, Del., Thursday evening, June 25th, 1874. John D. Carter, N. G.; Cyrus Tatman, V. G.; Geo. W. Wilson, R. S.

Divine Service.

Rev. Dr. Patton will preach at the chapel tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Maryland Affairs.

Strike of Railroad Employees.—The long-threatened strike of the employees on the Kent County Railroad culminated on Thursday, when the men refused longer to work unless paid.—Some of them have had no money since December, except part of their wages for last month, under the new management. It is evident that the business affairs of the road have been loosely managed during the past year, and the employees unfairly dealt with. It is hoped, however, that the suspension will be but temporary, as it is believed that under the system of retrenchment adopted by the new board of directors the road can be made to pay, and the employees receive their wages regularly. The mail between Chestertown and Massey's is carried by a hand-car for the present.—*Kent News, 20th.*

Destructive Fire.—A fire broke out among the outbuildings of Captain Edward Woodall, near Chesterville, about 9½ o'clock last Friday night week, which destroyed his barn, granary, stables, carriage house, shedding and other buildings, and it was only with the greatest difficulty, by the free use of water, that his handsome new dwelling house was prevented from being added to the list. Twenty-five tons of hay, 100 bushels of corn, 30 bushels of wheat, 1 large farm wagon and several sets of harness were among the articles consumed. These added to the buildings, which were all comparatively new, make Mr. W.'s loss pretty heavy, amounting, it is estimated, to about $3000.

Fatal Fall.—Capt. Lewis Ballard, an aged and much respected citizen of Somerset county, fell from a second story window in the residence of Capt. Jno. H. Somers, in that county, last Saturday afternoon week, and was so badly injured that he died on the following Tuesday.—Mr. Ballard was a captain of militia in the war 1812, and was 89 years old.

The citizens along the line of the proposed Chesapeake & Delaware Railroad, from Harrington to Kent Island, are disposed to look upon the enterprise as a total failure. After considerable grading, and securing the right of the way, gratis for the most part, the workmen have "laid by the shovel and the hoe" and departed.

A house near Crisfield, which had been occupied by a flock of sheep, was burned down last week, and now the editor of the *Leader* is in a quandary about it. He don't know whether the sheep, which ran out, started the fire, or the fire started the sheep. Wonder which did!

The Salisbury *Eastern Shoreman* says: A lady aged 73 years, residing at the Trappe, the mother of several of the best citizens of that place, went out one day during the hottest of the season, and picked *sixty three quarts* of berries. This is big work for the best pickers.

The Clyde line of steamers have been discontinued between Norfolk and Cristfield. It is rumored that the P. W. & B. Railroad Company intend to put on a fine line of steamers shortly, with elegant passenger accomodations.

Hon. Horatio Beck, a prominent citizen of Kent county, died on Thursday night of last week after an illness of a few days. Mr. Beck was attacked on Tuesday evening with congestion of the brain, which culminated in paralysis.

Hon. James U. Dennis, of Princess Anne, is a candidate for Congressional honors at the next election, at the hands of the Democrats.

Caroline County, however, claims the nomination on the ground that she has not had a candidate since 1818.

The organization of the Groome Guards has been completed. Wm. G. Purnell was elected Captain, H. D. M. Howard First Lieutenant, Dr. R. H. Tuft, Second Lieutenant and *Colonel* I. D. Davis, Orderly Sargent.

Wicomico has an old darkey who says he is 110 years old and claims to remember the first revolution. Strange to say he wasn't one of Washington's body servants, but belonged to one of his generals.

Horrible Murder.—This is the caption under which a Crisfield merchant advertises "Ladies Dress Goods" and other stock.

The rolling stock of the Kent county railroad has been seized by the Sheriff and will not be operated any more until the property is sold.

THE MARKETS.

MIDDLETOWN GRAIN MARKET.

CORRECTED WEEKLY BY E. T. EVANS & CO.

Wheat,	$1 45
Corn, White	75 cts.
" Yellow	75 "
Oats	60 "
Timothy Seed	4 50
Clover "	7 75
Beans	1 00

MIDDLETOWN PRODUCE MARKET.

CORRECTED WEEKLY BY S. M. REYNOLDS.

Eggs	22 cts. ₱ doz
Butter	14@16 cts. ₱ lb.
Lard	12@14 " "
Potatoes	$1.25@1 50 ₱ bus.
Chickens, Spring	20 cts. ₱ lb.
Turkeys, dressed	13@15 "
Geese, "	7@8 "
Ducks, "	13@14 "

PHILADELPHIA MARKETS.

Prime red wheat	$1.60
Corn, yellow	81 cts.
Oats (Pennsylvania)	61@ 63
Cloverseed	10 @ 10¼ ₱ lb.
Timothy	2 75

BALTIMORE MARKETS.

Wheat, good to amber	$1 50@1 52
Corn, white	87 cts.
Corn, yellow	82 "
Oats, Southern	63@ 64
Rye	95 cts.

Business Locals.

ATTENTION, LADIES!

S. M. Reynolds has received a large line of Ladies' Lisle-Thread Gauntlets, purchased at a great sacrifice from the importers. Price, per pair, 25 and 35 cts Regular price, 50 and 62½ cts. Call and examine them.

FROM OHIO.

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5 15	1 45	6 30		Wilmington,	9 10	3 12	7 32
6 03	2 38	7 24		Chaddsford,	8 25	2 19	6 49
7 05	3 38	8 23		Coatesville,	7 25	1 05	5 57
8 01	4 26	9 11		Springfield,	6 28	12 06	5 07
8 34	4 56	9 41		Birdsboro',	5 54	11 34	4 32
9 07	5 30	10 15		Reading,	5 20	10 00	4 00

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Jne 20-tf, General Superintendent.

Register's Orders.

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REGISTER'S OFFICE,
New Castle County, May 23d, 1874.

Upon the application of CHARLES BEASTEN, JAMES M. VANDEGRIFT and DAVID J. CUMMINS, Executors of Margaret B. Polk, late of St. Georges Hundred in said County, deceased, it is ordered and directed by the Register that the Executors, aforesaid, give notice of the granting of Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of the deceased, with the date of granting thereof, by causing advertisements to be posted, within forty days from the date of such letters, in six of the most public places of the County of New Castle, requiring all persons having demands against the Estate, to present the same, or abide by an Act of Assembly in such case made and provided. And also cause the same to be inserted, within the same period, in the Middletown Transcript, a newspaper published in Middletown, and to be continued therein two months.

{L.S.} Given under the hand and Seal of Office of the Register aforesaid, at New Castle, in New Castle County aforesaid, the day and year above written.
B. GIBBS, Register.

NOTICE.—All persons having claims against the Estate of the deceased must present the same, duly attested, to the Executors on or before May 23rd, 1875, or abide the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided.

CHARLES BEASTEN, Odessa, Del.,
JAS. M. VANDEGRIFT, McDonough,
DAVID J. CUMMINS, Smyrna,
May 30-2m Executors.

Register's Order.

REGISTER'S OFFICE,
New Castle County, May 4th, 1874.

Upon the application of Manlove D. Wilson, Administrator of Mark D. Wilson, late of Appoquinimink Hundred in said County, dec'd, it is ordered and directed by the Register that the Administrator aforesaid, give notice of the granting of Letters of Administration upon the Estate of the deceased, with the date of granting thereof, by causing advertisements to be posted, within forty days from the date of such Letters, in six of the most public places of the County of New Castle requiring all persons having demands against the Estate, to present the same, or abide by an Act of Assembly in such case made and provided. And also cause the same to be inserted, within the same period, in the Middletown Transcript a newspaper published in Middletown and to be continued therein two months.

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NOTICE.—All persons having claims against the Estate of the deceased must present the same, duly attested, to the Administrator on or before May 4th, 1875, or abide an Ac. of Assembly in such case made and provided.

MANLOVE D. WILSON,
Administrator.
Address—Middletown, Del. may 9-2m.

Register's Order.

REGISTER'S OFFICE.
New Castle County, May 11th, 1874.

Upon the application of William Lore, Executor of Experience Garman, late of Appoquinimunk Hundred in said County, dec'd, it is ordered and directed by the Register that the Executor aforesaid, give notice of the granting of Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of the deceased, with the date of granting thereof, by causing advertisements to be posted within forty days from the date of such letters in six of the most public places of the County of New Castle, requiring all persons having demands against the Estate to present the same, or abide by an Act of Assembly in such case made and provided. And also cause the same to be inserted within the same period in the Middletown Transcript, a newspaper published in Middletown, and to be continued therein two months.

{L. S.} Given under the hand and Seal of Office of the Register aforesaid, at New Castle, in New Castle County aforesaid, the day and year above written.
B. GIBBS, Register.

NOTICE.

All persons having claims against the Estate of the deceased must present the same duly attested to the Executor on or before May 11th, 1875, or abide the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided. WILLIAM LORE, *Executor.*
Address—
Jne 20th—2mos

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NOTICE.

A MEETING of the Democratic Executive Committee of New Castle County will be held at the Americus Club Room, Morrow Building, 211 Market St., in the City of Wilmington, *ON SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 1874,* At 11 O'clock, A. M.

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